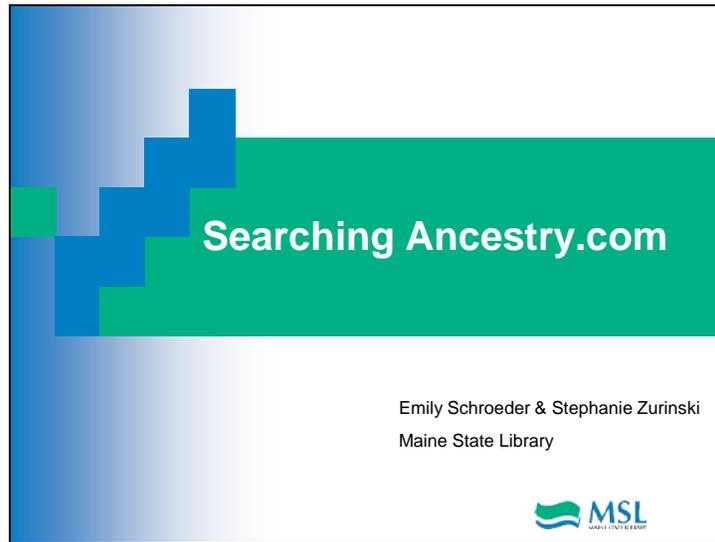


Slide 1



Searching Ancestry.com

Emily Schroeder & Stephanie Zurinski
Maine State Library



Slide 2

The screenshot shows a web interface for a genealogy search. At the top, there is a navigation bar with 'Home', 'Search', and 'Charts and Forms'. Below this is a 'Search' section with a green header. The search form contains several fields: 'First & Middle Name(s)' with the value 'Luella', 'Last Name' with the value 'Taylor', 'Name a place your ancestor might have lived' with the value 'Maine, USA', and 'Estimated birth year' with a 'Calculate it' button. There are also two expandable sections: '+ Add life events (birth, marriage, death, and more)' and '+ Add family members (mother, father, spouse, siblings, children)'. At the bottom of the search form are buttons for 'Search', 'Show Advanced', 'Clear Form', and 'Help'. Below the search form are two columns of links: 'CENSUS COLLECTIONS' and 'MORE COLLECTIONS'. The 'CENSUS COLLECTIONS' column includes links for Australia, Canada, Germany, U.K., and U.S. Census Collections. The 'MORE COLLECTIONS' column includes links for Immigration & Travel, Birth, Marriage & Death, London Parish Records, and a link to list recent or all databases. The MSU logo is visible in the bottom right corner.

I've begun the search with my great grandmother (*or someone in my family*), and will push the "Search" button

Slide 3

Search Results
All results for *Luella Taylor*

Searching for...
Name: Luella Taylor
Location: Maine, USA
[Edit Search](#)
[or Start a new search](#)

Narrow by Category
All Categories
Census & Voter Lists 5,000+
Birth, Marriage & Death 9,000+
Military 5,000+
Immigration & Travel 5,000+
Newspapers & Publications 110
Pictures 3,562
Stories, Memories & Histories 499
Maine, Atlantic & Gazetteers 773

Matches 1-20 of 600,404 Sorted By Relevance [View Sorted by relevance](#)

Record Title	Name	Birth	Arrival	Residence
1920 United States Federal Census Census & Voter Lists ★ ★ ★ ★ View Image	Luella Taylor	abt 1893 - Canada	1908	1920 - Bangor Ward 7, Penobscot, Maine
1880 United States Federal Census Census & Voter Lists ★ ★ ★ ★ View Image	Luella Taylor	abt 1874 - Maine		1880 - Calais, Washington, Maine
1870 United States Federal Census Census & Voter Lists ★ ★ ★ ★ View Image	Luella Taylor	abt 1856 - Maine		1870 - Hope, Knox, Maine, United States North Appleton
1870 United States Federal Census Census & Voter Lists	Luella Taylor	abt 1869 - Illinois		

I know she was in Hope, so that helps to eliminate lots of other matches. Lets click on the 3rd selection down, and see what that looks like...

Slide 4

Viewing Results
All results for *Luella Taylor*

Searching for...
Name: Luella Taylor
Location: Maine, USA
[Edit Search](#)
or [Start a new search](#)

Narrow by Category
All Categories

- Census & Voter Lists 5,000+
- Birth, Marriage & Death 5,000+
- Military 5,000+
- Immigration & Travel 5,000+
- Newspapers & Publications 118
- Pictures 3,562
- Stories, Memories & Histories 459
- Maps, Atlases & Gazetteers 722
- Schools, Directories & Church Histories 5,000+
- Tax, Criminal, Land & Wills 2,648

Matches 1-20 of 600,404 Sorted By Relevance
View Sorted by relevance

- 1920 United States Federal Census
Census & Voter Lists
★★★★
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- 1880 United States Federal Census
Census & Voter Lists
★★★★
[View Images](#)
- 1870 United States Federal Census
Census & Voter Lists
★★★★
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- 1870 United States Federal Census
Census & Voter Lists
★★★★
[View Images](#)
- 1900 United States Federal Census

Preview
NAME: Luella Taylor

Name: Luella Taylor
Birth Year: abt 1856
Age in 1870: 14
Birthplace: Maine
Home in 1870: Knox, Maine
Race: White
Gender: Female
Post Office: North Appleton

Household Members:

Name	Age
Jones Taylor	67
Angeline Taylor	55
Luella A Taylor	24
Fred Taylor	22
Flora Taylor	17
Luella Taylor	14

Take a look at the picture to see even more.
[See more](#)

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See what happens when I put my cursor on the title of the record? I get the actual content of the 1870 Census record; but, you can see the Census page as well, if you'd like to! Choosing "view image" gives you this screen...

Slide 5

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It looks like you don't have the enhanced image viewer installed on your computer. [Download it](#), or skip this tool and [go to the image](#).



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- ✓ Easier to read, sharper, clearer images

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Since you are in a library, it's best to click on "no", unless your librarian allows you to download the enhanced image viewer onto their computer...

Slide 6

Viewing the Details

ancestry.com 1870 United States Federal Census Record for Luella Taylor

Save this record about Luella Taylor.

Source

Source Citation

Year: 1870; Census Place: Alpha, Knox, Maine; Roll: A553_548; Page: 1044; Image: 211; Family History Library Film: 352047.

Source Information

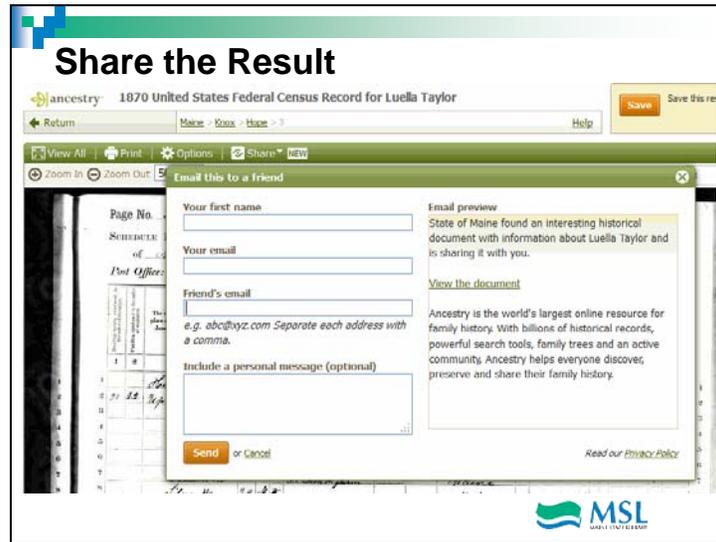
Ancestry.com, 1870 United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by FamilySearch. Original data:

Family Number	Surname	Given Name	Age	Birth Year	Gender	Race	Birthplace
29	Taylor	Luckia A	24	abt 1846	Male	White	Maine
29	Taylor	Fred	22	abt 1848	Male	White	Maine
29	Taylor	Flora	17	abt 1853	Female	White	Maine
29	Taylor	Luella	14	abt 1856	Female	White	Maine

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Near the top-in the dark green bar-you'll see several options for printing and e-mailing...just under that, there is a zoom tool. On the right is a complete explanation of the source of the information, and the bottom third provides a clear list of people and their data. Great when the enumerator's handwriting is hard to read! Next, let's look at what the Image Only option shows.

Slide 8



This button let's you e-mail your record anywhere-to yourself or an interested friend...

Slide 9

Options

ancestry 1870 United States Federal Census Record for Luella Taylor

Return Home > Home > Home > Home

View All Print **Options** Share

Zoom In Zoom Out 50%

Page No. 3

SCHEDULE 1.—Inhabitants in the town of Hope, in the County of Howard, State of Maine, enumerated by me on the 5 day of June, 1870. 104

Post Office: North Yarmouth Simon G. Lewis, Postmaster

No.	Name	Sex	Age	Color	Profession, occupation, or trade, or usual occupation, or service	Place of birth, naming State or Territory, or foreign birth, and language	Married		Single		Total	
							Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
1	Luella Taylor	F	22	W	Teacher	Maine						
2	Phyllis Taylor	F	20	W	Teacher	Maine						
3	Ray Taylor	M	17	W	Helping hand	Maine						
4	John Taylor	M	15	W		Maine						
5	John Taylor	M	13	W		Maine						
6	John Taylor	M	11	W		Maine						
7	John Taylor	M	9	W		Maine						
8	John Taylor	M	7	W		Maine						
9	John Taylor	M	5	W		Maine						
10	John Taylor	M	3	W		Maine						
11	John Taylor	M	1	W		Maine						
12	John Taylor	M	0	W		Maine						
13	John Taylor	M	0	W		Maine						
14	John Taylor	M	0	W		Maine						
15	John Taylor	M	0	W		Maine						

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Clicking on “Options” is another way to view the record

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Options Screen

ancestry 1870 United States Federal Census Record for Luella Taylor

Return Maine > Knox > Hope > 3

View All Print Options Share NEW

Zoom In Zoom Out 50%

Image Options

Use Compressed Images
Compressed images will download faster but may be harder to read

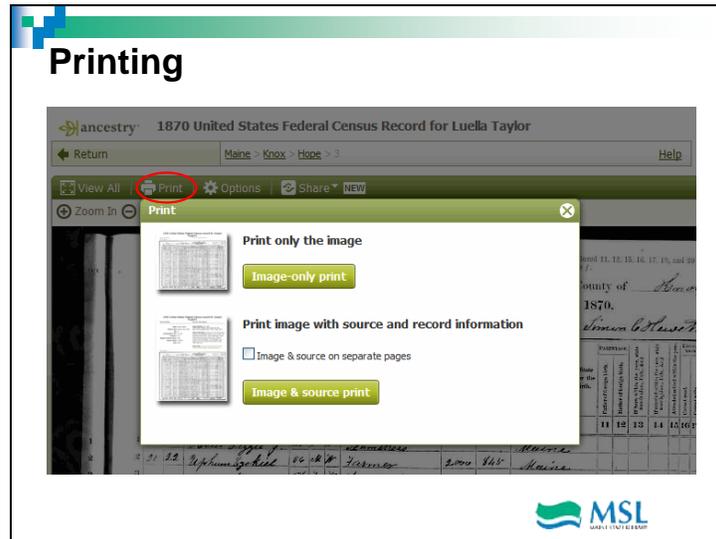
Page No. SCHEDULE of Post Office

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This is for the more computer-savvy among us...(and perhaps the less patient!)

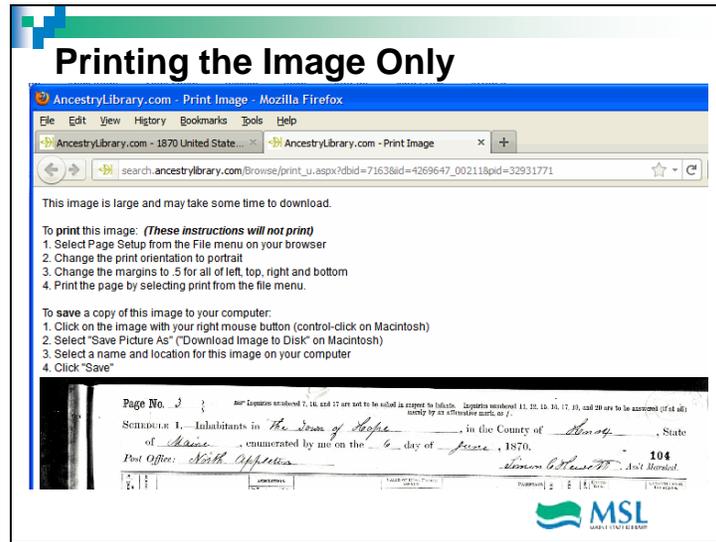
Slide 11



Decisions, decisions...again, you can get all the details or just the source item itself...

Slide 12

Printing the Image Only



This image is large and may take some time to download.

To print this image: (These instructions will not print)

1. Select Page Setup from the File menu on your browser
2. Change the print orientation to portrait
3. Change the margins to .5 for all of left, top, right and bottom
4. Print the page by selecting print from the file menu.

To save a copy of this image to your computer:

1. Click on the image with your right mouse button (control-click on Macintosh)
2. Select "Save Picture As" ("Download Image to Disk" on Macintosh)
3. Select a name and location for this image on your computer
4. Click "Save"

Page No. 2

LEGISLATION ENACTED 7, 16, AND 17 ARE NOT TO BE RECALLED IN ORDER TO FULFILL LEGISLATION ENACTED 11, 20, 10, 16, 17, 10, AND 20 ARE TO BE RECALLED (OF 48)

SENATOR 1. Inhabitants in *The Town of Hope* in the County of *Henry* State of *Miss* enumerated by me on the *6* day of *June*, 1870.

Post Office: *North Appona* 104

Simon C. Stewart, Asst. Marshal

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Here are the instructions for printing the image only. If you need help with these settings, please ask library staff! That's what they're there for!

Printing Image and Source

Record Index

Name: Luella Taylor
Beth Year: abt 1856

Record URL: <http://search.ancestry.com/cgi-bin/qs.exe?i=2301771&cat=1870usfedcen&ind=174>

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You'll get a copy of the census page, plus a very official-looking citation...let's see the rest!

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Image and Source Detail

Image

Record Index

Name: Luella Taylor
Birth Year: abt.1856
Age in 1870: 14
Birthplace: Maine
Home in 1870: Hope, Knox, Maine
Race: White
Gender: Female
Post Office: North Appleton

Source Information

Record URL: http://search.ancestrylibrary.com/cgi-bin/ssa_d?h=72911771&db=1870usfedc&ndt=try
Source Citation: Year: 1870
Census Place: Hope, Knox, Maine; Roll: M593_548; Page: 1044;
Image: 21; Family History Library Film: 552047.

Source Information: Ancestry.com, 2009. United States Federal Census [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2009. Images reproduced by

FamilySearch.
Original data:
• 1870 U.S. census, population schedules. NARA microfilm publication M593, 1,761 rolls. Washington, D.C.: National Archives and Records Administration, n.d.



Pretty neat, huh? Now you're ready to click the print button, however it might appear on the computer you're using. Again, help is not far away at any point.

Slide 15

Return to Search Results

The screenshot shows a web browser displaying a census record. At the top, the page title is "1870 United States Federal Census Record for Luella Taylor". Below the title, there is a navigation bar with a "Return to Search" button circled in red. The main content area shows a handwritten schedule for "Inhabitants in the town of Hope" in the County of ... of ... enumerated by me on the ... day of ... 1870. Below the schedule is a printed table with columns for name, sex, age, and other details. The table is partially visible, showing columns 1 through 10. On the right side of the page, there is a "Source Citation" section with the following information: Year: 1870; Census Plus Name: Roll: MS22_5482; Image: 211; Family Hist: 532047. Below this is a "Source Information" section with a logo for "THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES" and the text "Ancestry.com".

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15

Click "Return to Search Results" to go back and view another record.

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View Another Result

[1870 United States Federal Census](#)
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[1900 United States Federal Census](#)
Census & Voter Lists
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[1860 United States Federal Census](#)
Census & Voter Lists
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NAME: **Luella Taylor**
BIRTH: abt 1869 - Illinois
RESIDENCE: 1870 - Greenbush, Warren, Illinois, United States
RESIDENCE: Greenbush

Preview

Name: Luella M Taylor
Age in 1860: 6
Birth Year: abt 1854
Birthplace: Maine
Home in 1860: Lewiston, Androscoggin, Maine
Gender: Female
Post Office: Lewiston

Household Members:

Name	Age
Joseph Taylor	38
Mary Taylor	39
Ann A Taylor	10
Luella M Taylor	6

Take a look at the picture to see even more. [See](#)



Let's choose the 1860 census. When you're searching, do keep in mind that the most relevant documents are listed first, with many, sometimes thousands, given after. Don't discount those completely, as there may be a connection.

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Conclusion
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Welcome State of Maine

Home Search Charts and Forms

Search

First & Middle Name(s) Last Name

Name a place your ancestor might have lived Estimated birth year

Calculate z

+ Add life events (birth, marriage, death, and more)
+ Add family members (mother, father, spouse, siblings, children)

search Show Advanced Clear Form Help

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- Canada Census & Voter Lists
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- 1871 report of all databases

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